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TAGS: PARM, UR, US
SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS ON CTB TESTIMONY

1. RED STAR OF AUGUST 17 PUBLISHES AN ARTICLE BY
TASS POLITICAL OBSERVER YE. BABENKO ON TESTIMONY
OF ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF ENERGY DONALD KERR
BEFORE A SPECIAL PANEL OF THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES
COMMITTEE. QUOTING FROM HIS TESTIMONY, BABENKO
REPORTS THAT KERR:

-- STRESSED U.S. DESIRE TO MAINTAIN ITS ADVANTAGE
IN THE PRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL;

-- QUESTIONED SOVIET SINCERITY IN CTB TALKS; AND

-- STATED THAT IF A CTB AGREEMENT IS REACHED AT ALL,
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IT SHOULD BE FOR THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE PERIOD OF
TIME. BABENKO CONCLUDES BY RHETORICALLY ASKING
HOW KERR'S POSITION CONFORMS WITH THAT TAKEN BY
THE U.S. AND THE OTHER TWO NEGOTIATING PARTIES IN
THEIR RECENT REPORT TO THE CCD.

2. COMMENT: AS IN A TASS REPORT OF THE HEARINGS

CARRIED IN PRAVDA OF AUGUST 16, NO MENTION IS
MADE OF THE TESTIMONY OF PM DIRECTOR GELB DEFENDING
THE CONCLUSION OF A CTB. TOON

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